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Dear Jonn,

A new contact has sent me a copy of Robin Moore's earlier book, "The Devil To Pay", suggesting its central character, Jack Youngblood (Walter A.) may be the man of that name in the Nancy Perrin Rich story. I stayed up last night and read the book. The parallels are remarkable. This is a mercenary who worked for Castro running guns, etc, turned against him, then declares himself interested in any plot to assassinate Castro, concludes by saying he'll do anything he can to hurt him, and after his defection is active as a pilot for the anti-Castro groups. He is from Texas. He was indicted and convicted in San Francisco. I had written Hal briefly about this before reading the book, thinking my contact had sent him a copy. It turns out he hadn't. But I think it would be worthwhile for all of you to get it (Avon) and read it. The book was originally published in 1961, and Nancy could have known about it. It is also possible that this is a real link, for the character could not be more perfectly drawn for that part of her testimony. What a think that would be if it were true! The picture the man (and Moore, who becomes interesting in his own right) draws of himself is not a very flattering one at all.

Perhaps from or through Rhoebe you can get a set of pictures of him. There are a number of people I'd like to see what he looks like. Do try. After you read it, you may think it should be offered to Jonn.

I have two long letters in today's mail from Rye. Haven't read them yet. They are in New York. Linda is still with him. I now think he really is nuts.

How about doing something about that money bit. The need is urgent.

Sincerely,

*Hal*